(e) If a producer, handler, or producers' cooperative marketing association is engaged in producing or handling potatoes in more than one area, or in more than one subdivision of an area, such producer, handler, or producers' cooperative marketing association shall elect the area or subdivision in which he may participate in designating nominees. In no event shall there be participation in more than one area or subdivision.

#### § 948.57 Failure to nominate.

If nominations are not made pursuant to the provisions of §948.56 by the date provided therein, the Secretary may, without regard to nominations, select members and alternates on the basis of the representation provided for in this part.

### § 948.58 Vacancies.

To fill any vacancy occasioned by the failure of any person selected as a member or as an alternate to qualify, or in the event of the death, removal, resignation, or disqualification of a member or alternate, a successor for his unexpired term may be selected by the Secretary from nominations made pursuant to §948.56, from previously unselected nominees on the current nominee list, or from other eligible persons.

### §948.59 Qualification.

Each person selected as a member or as an alternate shall qualify by promptly filing a written acceptance with the Secretary.

## § 948.60 Compensation and expenses.

- (a) Members of each area committee and their alternates shall serve without salary, but may be compensated at a rate not in excess of \$10 per day while engaged on committee business, and may be reimbursed for necessary expenses actually incurred while so engaged. At the discretion of an area committee, alternates may be requested to attend any or all committee meetings and receive compensation and expenses therefor regardless of attendance by the respective members.
- (b) The compensation and expenses of members and alternates of the Colorado Potato Committee shall be paid

by the respective area committee they represent.

(c) Such other expenses as may be incurred by the Colorado Potato Committee pursuant to a budget of expenses approved by the Secretary shall be allotted to, and paid by, one or more of the area committees, as may be specified in an order issued by the Secretary pursuant to the provisions of this subpart.

# §948.61 Procedure.

- (a) A majority of all members of a committee shall be necessary to constitute a quorum or to pass and motion or approve any committee action.
- (b) Each committee may provide for the members thereof, including the alternate members when acting as members, to vote by mail, telegraph, telephone, or other means of communication, provided that any such vote cast orally shall be confirmed promptly in writing. If any assembled meeting is held all votes shall be cast in person.

### § 948.62 Powers.

Each committee shall have the following powers:

- (a) To administer the provisions of this subpart as specified herein;
- (b) To make rules and regulations to effectuate the terms and provisions of this subpart;
- (c) To receive, investigate, and report to the Secretary complaints of violation of the provisions of this part; and
- (d) To recommend to the Secretary amendments to this part.

### § 948.63 Duties.

- (a) Each committee shall:
- (1) Meet and organize as soon as practical after the beginning of each term of office, select a chairman and such other officers' as may be necessary, select subcommittees and adopt such rules and procedures for the conduct of its business as it may deem advisable;
- (2) Act as intermediary between the Secretary and any producer or handler;
- (3) Appoint such employees, agents and representatives as it may deem necessary and determine the salaries and define the duties of each;
- (4) Keep minutes, books, and records which clearly reflect all its acts and transactions. Such minutes, books and